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1. [] Spoke to Wilbur Walker, Administrative Assistant to Representative W.C. "Dan" Daniel (D., Va.), and informed him that the individual whose activities he had inquired into (see Journal of 13 July) has never been associated with the Agency or, to the best of our knowledge, with Air America. I returned to Mr. Walker the documents he had given us to assist in our investigation of the individual. Mr. Walker thanked me for the Agency's assistance.

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2. [] - RJK) Delivered to the offices of Representative Patsy T. Mink (D., Hawaii) and Senators Stuart Symington (D., Mo.) and Walter Mondale (D., Minn.) [] items in which their names were mentioned.

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3. [] Spoke with Miss Lou Whitehead, in the office of Representative Clarence Brown (R., Ohio), who had asked about the application of a young man who is in process for a position with []. I advised her that his application is under very active consideration. She appreciated this information saying that the Congressman had a personal interest in the young man and would like to know the final disposition of his application.

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4. [] Delivered a China map folio to the office of Senator Thomas Eagleton (D., Mo.).

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5. [] At his request I met with Mr. Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, at about the same time the Director and Mr. Maury were meeting with Chairman Stennis. Braswell reported on a meeting between the Chairman and Secretary of Defense Laird which he also attended; and asked for information on Communist China's atomic energy and military programs. See Memo for the Record.

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6. [] Attended a LIG meeting in the White House where several matters of interest to the Agency were discussed including the Symington amendment, appearances of Administration witnesses for Senate Armed Services regarding Laos, and publication of Senate closed session transcript re expenditures in Laos. See Memorandum for the Record.

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7. [] Hugh Durham, in the office of Attorney General, called in response to a matter I had earlier taken up at the LIG meeting at the White House with Tom Kauper, of Justice. I had raised with Kauper our response to the request of Senators Ribicoff (D., Conn.) and Muskie (D., Me.) that the DCI, along with the Attorney General, Secretary of State, and Secretary of Defense appear at joint hearings of Intergovernmental Relations and Executive Reorganization and Government Research to discuss the complicity of top Laotian, Thai and Vietnamese officials in the drug traffic. At the White House meeting I had proposed to Kauper, Rudy Johnson, of Defense, and Dave Abshire, of State, that Justice alone should appear, with the understanding that in dealing with the drug problem they had access to all information available to the other agencies. Durham said Justice agreed to this proposal and planned to have the Director of the BNDD, Jack Ingersoll, appear in place of the Attorney General. It was agreed that as soon as Ribicoff and Muskie had been advised of this, Justice would let us know and we would write to the Senators explaining that all of our information on the subject was made available to Justice.

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8. [] Accompanied the Director who met with Senator Stennis (D., Miss.) on the handling of the query originally addressed to State by Senator Case (R., N.J.) on Agency operations in South China. The conversation also covered legislation pending in the Congress of concern to the Agency. See Memo for Record.

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9. [] Met with Senator James Eastland (D., Miss.) and provided him with information he had requested regarding the status of the [] During a lengthy conversation which ensued, the Senator discussed the leadership situation in the Congress, the political prospects of various candidates, and his own views on the state of the nation.

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10. [] Met with Dorothy Fosdick and Richard Perle, in the office of Senator Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.), and briefed them on recent developments regarding Soviet space programs, Soviet tactical air buildup in the Far East, and ChiCom airfield facilities.

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11. [] Talked with both Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, about action that would be taken on the continuing resolution before it expires on 6 August insofar as the Radios were concerned. Both men said that the Radios would be included in a new resolution which would have to be passed before the 6 August recess and would have to cover a period in excess of 30 days (Woodruff assumes it would be 60 days) since Congress will not reconvene until 8 September.

Woodruff commented it appeared fairly certain that some form of restriction would be placed on operations in Laos by amendments to the foreign aid authorization bill when it is reported out of the Foreign Relations Committee.

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12. [] In response to his query of yesterday I recommended to Harris Miller, on the staff of Representative William Moorhead (D., Pa.), that he contact the office of Jerome H. Jaffe, the President's Director of Special Action Office for Drug Abuse Prevention. Miller said this was an excellent suggestion and added that he would call that office.

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13. [] In the absence of Senator Edward J. Gurney (R., Fla.), I talked to his personal secretary, Lois Elliott, about the inquiry the Senator's office had directed to the Department of Labor regarding payments being made to the widows and families of the "Birmingham flyers." As we expected, Miss Elliott said Senator Gurney was not aware of the constituent inquiry which prompted their contact with the Department of Labor. I advised her these men were not soldiers of fortune as alleged by the constituent and left with her a suggested reply which merely said the Senator had looked into the matter and found payments being made were in accordance with applicable law. She said she was sure this would satisfy their needs.

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14. [] Left with Dorothy Fosdick, Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations staff, translations of two Frescobaldi articles which she had requested earlier.

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